Introduced by Assembly Members Levine and Atkins

February 23, 2015

An act to amend Section 3073.5 of the Labor Code, relating to apprenticeship.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 520, as introduced, Levine. Apprenticeship.

Existing law provides for apprenticeship programs within the Division of Apprenticeship Standards within the Department of Industrial Relations, sponsored by specific entities and employers, and requires the Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards to perform various functions with respect to apprenticeship programs and the welfare of apprentices.

Existing law also establishes the California Apprenticeship Council within the Division of Apprenticeship Standards, and requires the council to aid the director in formulating policies with respect to apprentice regulation.

Existing law requires the Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards and the California Apprenticeship Council to report annually through the Director of Industrial Relations on the activities of the division and the council, and further requires that the report include specified information with respect to apprenticeship programs in this state.

This bill would require the report to include an analysis of any apprenticeship standards or regulations that were proposed or adopted in the previous year.

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Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3073.5 of the Labor Code is amended to read:

- 3073.5. The Chief of the Division of Apprenticeship Standards and the California Apprenticeship Council shall annually report through the Director of Industrial Relations to the Legislature and the public on the activities of the division and the council. The report shall contain information including, but not limited to, analyses of the following:
- (a) The number of individuals, including numbers of women and minorities, registered in apprenticeship programs in this state for the current year and in each of the previous five years.
- (b) The number and percentage of apprentices, including numbers and percentages of minorities and women, registered in each apprenticeship program having five or more apprentices, and the percentage of those apprentices who have completed their programs successfully in the current year and in each of the previous five years.
- (c) Remedial actions taken by the division to assist those apprenticeship programs having difficulty in achieving affirmative action goals or having very low completion rates.
- (d) The number of disputed issues with respect to individual apprenticeship agreements submitted to the Administrator of Apprenticeship for determination and the number of those issues resolved by the council on appeal.
- (e) The number of apprenticeship program applications received by the division, the number approved, the number denied and the reason for those denials, the number being reviewed, and deficiencies, if any, with respect to those program applications being reviewed.
- 30 (f) The number of apprenticeship programs, approved by the 31 Division of Apprenticeship Standards, that are disapproved by the 32 California Apprenticeship Council, and the reasons for those 33 disapprovals.

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1 (g) Any apprenticeship standards or regulations that were 2 proposed or adopted in the previous year.